

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO: S & S 99/10

In re Application of: Frank Ficker

Serial No: 09/733,009

Filed: December 8, 2000

Confirmation No: 3026

Title: Process and Apparatus for Drafting Textile Fibers



Group Art Unit: 3765

Examiner: Vanatta, Amy B.

Our Client ID: 22827

Our Account No: 04-1403

3765  
JP

Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Post Office Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSE**

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is to be treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

Fee requirements (if any) have been calculated as shown below:

	Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra		Additional Fee
Total Effective Claims	14	21	0	X \$18 =	\$ .00
Independent Claims	1	3	0	x \$86 =	\$ .00
If amendment enters <u>proper</u> multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for <u>first</u> time, add \$290.00 (per application)					\$ .00
Since Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of _____,					\$ .00
<b>PETITION</b> is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month \$110; 2 months \$420; 3 months \$950; 4 months \$1480)					\$ .00
If Terminal Disclaimer enclosed, add Rule 20(d) Official Fee (\$110.00)					\$ .00
<b>SUBTOTAL:</b>					\$ .00
If "small entity" verified statement filed <input type="checkbox"/> previously, <input type="checkbox"/> herewith, enter one-half (1/2) of subtotal and <u>subtract</u>					\$ .00
<b>TOTAL:</b>					\$ .00
Other: _____					\$ .00
<b>TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED:</b>					\$ .00

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee specifically authorized hereafter, or any fees in addition to the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith or concerning any paper filed hereafter, and which may be required under Rules 16-18 (deficiency only) now or hereafter relative to this application and the resulting official document under Rule 20, or credit any overpayment, to our Account No. shown in the heading hereof for which purpose a duplicate copy of this sheet is attached. This statement does not authorize charge of the issue fee in this case.

ADDRESS:  
Post Office Box 1449  
Greenville, SC 29602 USA  
Customer ID No.: 22827  
Telephone: 864-271-1592  
Facsimile: 864-233-7342

**DORITY & MANNING, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, P.A.**

By: Stephen E. Bondura Reg. No: 35,070 Date: June 28, 2004

Signature: [Signature]

I hereby certify that this correspondence and any referenced attachment and fee are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Post Office Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on June 28, 2004.

Denise Bulkeley

(Typed or printed name of person mailing paper or fee)

[Signature]  
(Signature of person mailing paper or fee)

**BEST AVAILABLE COPY**



PATENT

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: S&S-99/1074a

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Frank Ficker	)	Examiner: Vanatta, Amy B.
	)	
Serial No.: 09/733,009	)	Art Unit: 3765
	)	
Confirmation No: 3026	)	Deposit Acct. No.: 04-1403
	)	
Filed: December 8, 2000	)	Confirmation No.: 5913
	)	
Title: Process and Apparatus for	)	
Drafting Textile Fibers	)	
(as Amended Herewith	)	

**Response to Restriction Requirement**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement dated June 2, 2004, the Applicant hereby elects species 2 as shown in Figures 3 and 4 corresponding to claim 32 and 35. In addition to the generic claims, 28, 34, 36, 37, 40, 42 and 43, identified by the Examiner, the Applicant respectfully submits that claims 29, 30, 31, 33, 38, 39 and 41 are also generic claims to both species in that each generic claim would read on both species. Should the Examiner have any questions with respect to this response, she is invited and encouraged to telephone the undersigned at her convenience.

Please charge any additional fees required by this response to Deposit Account No.

04-1403.

June 28, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Bondura  
Reg. # 35,070  
DORITY & MANNING, P.A.  
P.O. Box 1449  
Greenville, SC 29602  
(864) 271-1592  
(864) 233-7342